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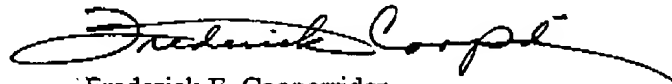
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**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

In re Application of

Toshiyuki Tamura

Serial No.: 09/935,675

Group Art Unit: 2645

Filed: August 24, 2001

Examiner: Simon P. Sing

For: COMMUNICATION SYSTEM AND ALIGNMENT METHOD OF TRANSCODER

Honorable Commissioner of Patents  
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450  
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**AMENDMENT UNDER 37 C.F.R. §1.116**

Sir:

In response to the Office Action dated March 21, 2006, please amend the above-identified application as follows:

**INTRODUCTORY COMMENTS**

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the claims beginning on page 2 of this paper. Claims 20-25 are changed from method claims to system claims and claims 32-37 and 30 are canceled. No new matter has been added and the number of independent claims is less than or equal to the number previously paid for, so that no excess claims fee is due.

Remarks begin on page 6 of this paper.